



A Merry Christmas to all our readers  
From the publisher and staff

### LOCAL & GENERAL

Mr. and Mrs. V. McPherson spent the week-end in Seattle.

Mr. Weldy Feedham is spending Xmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Feedham, Marine Drive.

Miss Aileen Robinson, University of Alberta, and Miss Gail Robinson, Victoria College, daughters of Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Robinson, Marine Drive, are home for the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gardner were holidaying in Seattle over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hargreaves and Mr. and Mrs. D. McGuffin and family are spending the Xmas holidays at Leavenworth, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shadle are leaving this week-end to spend Xmas at Sidney, Vancouver Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, of Bennett's Cafe, are spending Xmas day with friends in Vancouver.

### LEGION PARTIES

It will be no Legion Carols on December 24 or 25, as the paper is not published on those days.

### Xmas Message from the Premier

Through the years the Christmas message of peace on earth and good will to men has been the mankind's.

It is a common belief that as the Christmas season approaches, the spirit of peace and goodwill is born in the hearts of men.

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### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST SABBATH SCHOOL

Climaxing a three months' study of medical needs of the two million people living on the banks of rivers in the Amazon River Valley, South America, members of the White Rock Seventh-day Adventist Sabbath school will give a special mission offering, Saturday, December 24, to help build a hospital in Brazil. All of the denomination's Sabbath schools will participate in the project.

Chester Allen is superintendent of the Sabbath School.

Reports from the area tell of missionaries dispensing medical medicines from a fleet of mission "cruiser" boats to natives along the banks of the 40,000 miles of navigable rivers of the Amazon Valley. Each medical missionary treats from 15 to 20,000 people a year. All travel from the mouth of the Amazon to 1,000 miles inland is done by boat as there are no roads through the vast swamps, immense forests and steaming jungles.

"People live in huts built on stilts at the shores of rivers swollen by six months of steady rain. Whole villages are often wiped out by malaria. No other place on earth needs medical help more."

### White Rock Brownies Xmas Party

The White Rock Brownies are holding their Christmas party in the Masonic Hall on Thursday afternoon, December 23, at 2 p.m. The mothers of the Brownies are invited to come to the party also. Each Brownie has been requested to bring two box lunches with her, one for herself and one for her mother. They are also asked to bring a small gift costing no more than 15 cents.

### Rail Fares to Be Reduced Between Vancouver and Seattle

Effective January 15, the G.N. Railway Co. announces a 15 per cent reduction in one way and round trip fares, according to Harry Clarke, General Passenger Agent, Vancouver. The new fare of \$2.00 of one way by coach, and \$4.00 round trip from Vancouver to Seattle will be the lowest of any common carrier between these points. The G.N. will file the new fare schedules this week with the Inter-State Commerce Commission, the Washington Public Service Commission and the Canadian Transport Commission.

### Sunnyside Jottings

Winners at the whist which was held in the Sunnyside school on Wednesday of last week, were: Mrs. Kemp-Brown and Mr. J. Dickinson. Consolation: Mrs. Casanova and Mr. Stevenson. There will be no more whists in the school until Wednesday, January 18, at 8 p.m.

Church service will be held in the Community Hall on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. The Rev. Mr. Hardy will take the service.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Benallack and their daughter, of Yellow Grass, Sask., have taken up residence at Sunnyside Auto Court.

Mrs. Laura Bryce, of New Westminster, was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Byrne, Sunnyside Road.

Mr. Alf Rawlins has returned from a trip to Wetaskiwin, Alta., where he visited his son. Mr. Rawlins also spent some time in Lethbridge, Alta.

### MR. & MRS. A. BOURASSA ENTERTAIN PEACE ARCH KIWANIS CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bourassa, of Cloverdale, were hosts at a Xmas dinner party in their home on New McLennan Road, Monday night. Owing to the inclement weather several members were unable to attend, those that did, however, enjoyed a most delightful evening. Assisting in the hostess were Mrs. E. Hambro and Mrs. H. Charbonneau. Mrs. A. Bourassa was the guest of honor of the evening, all members joining in the singing of Xmas carols. The club voted during the evening to donate fifty dollars to the Bureau Community Chest, to be used for underprivileged children, and twenty-five dollars for the Boy Scouts in Blaine, Washington.

### BIRTH

DORR—To Constable and Mrs. M. M. Dorra, on Monday, December 19, at St. Mary's Hospital, New Westminster, a baby daughter, weight 6 lbs. 8 ozs.

### SEMI-NUDE GIRLS' ILY

In spite of the unusual White Rock weather last Friday evening, many 16-18 year old girls and boys were able to attend and enjoy their Christmas party at Olive Johnson's.

## Prize Winners in Canadian Legion Drawing

- 1st Prize—Ticket No. 43, 20th, Turkey: Mrs. Bunting, Johnston Road.
- 2nd Prize—Ticket No. 132, 16th, Turkey: Mrs. G. Davies, 1020 Washington Avenue.
- 3rd Prize—Hamper of groceries delivered: Mr. A. Irvin, Arcadia, Victoria Avenue.
- 4th Prize—Ticket No. 151, Pione Ham: Mrs. F. C. Bell, 1274 Dunbar Avenue, Lockdale P.O.
- 5th Prize—Ticket No. 3, Chicken: Mrs. F. Tooth, 1036 Washington Avenue.
- 6th Prize—Ticket No. 54, Chicken: Mrs. Haight, Boundary Road, R.R.2.
- 7th Prize—Ticket No. 221, 2lbs. of bacon: C. Wilson, Stevens St., White Rock.
- 8th Prize—Xmas cake, delivered: Mrs. Holmes, Blackburn Ave.
- 9th Prize—Ticket No. 10, Plum pudding: J. D. McMillan, Box 15, White Rock.
- 10th Prize—Ticket No. 71, 2lbs. of chocolates: J. W. Cant, 1572 Boundary, R.R.4.
- 11th Prize—Towel set, delivered: Irene Shaw, White Rock.
- 12th Prize—Ticket No. 15, 1lb. box of chocolates: Mrs. C. Wilkinson, 857 Royal Avenue.
- 13th Prize—1lb. of tea, delivered: Mrs. McFadden, 6066 Victoria Ave.
- 14th Prize—Ticket No. 637, 1lb. of chocolates: R. E. Stevenson, 1185 King George Highway.
- 15th Prize—1lb. of coffee: M. Ryder, 2642 W. 1st Ave., Vancouver.
- 16th Prize—Ticket No. 563, chocolates: Mrs. Galliard, R.R.1, White Rock.
- 17th Prize—Ticket No. 697, 1lb. of tobacco: Mrs. O. Blomme, Selby Delicatessen.
- 18th Prize—Ticket No. 656, chocolate poppermint patties: Mr. Bob Wilson, Sunnyside, R.R.2.
- 19th Prize—Ticket No. 272, 50 cigarettes: T. Thompson, 2925 McKay Avenue, Burnaby.
- 20th Prize—Ticket No. 292, 50 cigarettes: A. D. Harvey, 6661 Yew Street, Vancouver.
- 21st Prize—1/2 lb. McFarlane's cheese: M. Henderson, 756 W. 22nd Avenue, Vancouver.

Prizes for Whist were as follows: Mrs. Whiting and Mrs. Beck tied for high score, the cut for the prize being won by Mrs. Whiting. Low score: Mrs. Ashton.

### WHITE ROCK SENIOR CITIZENS, BRANCH NO. 11

December 14 was a great day in the history of the Senior Citizens of Branch No. 11. Our annual banquet took place in the beautiful ballroom of the Palladium Dance Hall, which had been loaned for this special occasion by its kindly and generous owner, Mr. Guy Graham.

The tastefully arranged tables, spaced to accommodate approximately 260 guests, presented a wonderful sight, and the appetizing array of the housewife's repast of turkey, ham, and all the trimmings was amply demonstrated.

Following the banquet, the assembled guests enjoyed a splendid programme of entertainment, consisting of dance and acrobatic exhibitions by the pupils of the Jack and Jill Dancing School, under the supervision of Mrs. J. Bull.

Mr. Franklin Johnson gave a very fine character recitation, and five male members of the Branch impersonated ladies in the Fashion Show, creating much fun and laughter.

The remainder of the evening was spent in cards and dancing to music supplied by our dear friend Miss Katherine Locke.

During the evening the president presented a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Guy Graham, and a present from the Branch to the musician, Miss Locke.

The draw for the coffee table and serving tray (donated by Mr. J. Cummins in aid of the fund for the purchase of a Public Address System) was held, and the first prize went to Mr. J. Prime, Martin Street, and the second prize to Mrs. Mallinson, Washington Ave., White Rock.

It was most successful evening, and all expressed their appreciation of a happy time.

### PROMPT ACTION BY MUNICIPAL ENGINEER APPRECIATED

At the request of several citizens, The Sun was asked to contact the Municipal Engineer and have the slippery hill down to the Post Office on the Pier saned. This request was promptly acted on by Mr. Starr, the Municipal Engineer, and in a matter of two or three hours the sand truck was on the job, much to the appreciation of White Rock residents.

### A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

O CHRIST of Bethlehem, let us not forget Thee on Thy birthday. In our busy preparation and in our joyous festivities may we not crowd Thee out of our thoughts as Thou wast crowded out of the inn on the first Christmas.

Forbid that we should spend all for transient pleasures and fail to find the deeper, richer joys that pass not away at eventide. Draw us back to Thy manger cradle, rekindle our sense of wonder and worship, and grant that finding Thee in the likeness of a little child, we may feel a new reverence for childhood and a more earnest longing for those qualities of heart which childhood incarnates.

Forgive our cynicism and pride. banish our doubts, and restore our faith in the things we cannot see or hear: the star that shines in the soul of men, and the song of peace that lingers on in a world of conflict. Like the shepherds may we return to our humble tasks feeling that heaven is not far away, and praising God that He reveals Himself not only in temples but also among the common things of life.

### A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS, AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Rev. Peter Connal



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## Editorial

### CHRISTMAS 1949

As we prepare to celebrate another Christmas, the management and staff of the Semiahmoo Sun, extend to their readers and advertisers, the very heartiest of greetings this holiday season. We sincerely thank our old subscribers for the continued loyal support given during the past twelve months, to our many new patrons, we extend an especial greeting, and hope that we have been able to contribute some measure of usefulness in the community.

We especially wish to thank all our advertisers, without whose support we could not continue to publish.

Although it is an impossibility to please everyone, we have, and will always endeavour, to print material that we consider to be of interest to the majority of our readers. On controversial subjects we have endeavoured to give both sides of the question, and will continue to pursue this policy.

Every member of the staff is a resident of White Rock, and has the welfare of the town at heart, and they wish to co-operate with all our citizens in furthering its progress in the important years ahead.

### DISOBEDIENCE OF LAWS

The example set by one of Canada's oldest leading business firms, in remaining open all day Wednesday, in direct defiance of a by-law prohibiting such a procedure, is to be deplored. The precedent set by such an action, if allowed, might very well have serious repercussions. It is regrettable that a firm which has for so many years held such a reputation should at this time seek to lower their high standard of policy in such a manner.

### SANTA CLAUS

By E. Dixon-Honeyman

Christmas Day will soon be here  
And Santa Claus with eight reindeer,

Is almost ready now, mind you,  
With toys and games in red and blue

All packed away in that big sack  
That Santa carries on his back.

I know you've asked for lots of toys

But if you aren't good girls and boys

He'll only leave you one, or two,  
Because the fairies tell on you.

The fairies all so very small,  
That through the keyhole they can crawl.

This is the work the fairies do  
For Santa Claus, the whole year through.

We cannot see them they're so small,  
Now can we hide from them, at all?

And everything we do or say,  
They tell old Santa right away.

So when you're told to go to bed,  
Don't start to cry and shake your head.

Just do what dad and mother wishes,  
And try sometimes to do the dishes.

Mind the baby or sweep the floor,  
And always, softly, close the door.

I'm giving you real good advice,  
You'll get no toys unless you're nice.

Santa will give them away to others,  
So be careful, don't quarrel with your brothers.

Christmas Eve is almost here,  
You haven't long to be good, my dear.

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A horned toad is actually a lizard.



**MERRY XMAS**

From the  
**ROSE JAR**



**HOLY NIGHT  
SILENT NIGHT**

*The Spirit of*  
**Christmas**

FROM  
**W. R. Pharmacy**



**Give Something ELECTRIC**

FROM  
**White Rock Hardware**



**FRIENDLY  
Christmas  
GREETINGS**

From  
**Shaws Feed Store**



**Merry Christmas**

From  
**The Centre**

Corner of Johnston and Poplar



HON. HARRY BOWMAN

## There Never Was a Time!

There never was a time when  
Farmers' Organizations did  
better work for their members.

There never was a time when  
the need was greater for every

farmer to be a member of his own particular organization.

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- Your membership in it
- Recruiting new members for it
- Your regular attendance at meetings
- Bringing with you new ideas and enthusiasm

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**The British Columbia Department of**  
**VICTORIA, B. C.**

J. B. Munro, M.B.E.

Deputy Minister

Hon. Harry Bowman



**Greetings  
May your  
Christmas  
be Merry and full of  
Good Cheer  
PROSPERITY  
and HEALTH  
in the coming  
New Year**  
**G. M. Thompson Ltd.**

# GEMS OF THOUGHT

**WORLD PEACE**  
The great task of humanity is not deliverance by the sword, but deliverance from the sword.—David Lloyd George.

A steadfast concert for peace can never be maintained except by a partnership of democratic nations.—Woodrow Wilson.

The peace of Love is published, and the sword of the Spirit is drawn; nor will it be sheathed till Truth shall reign triumphant over all the earth.—Mary Baker Eddy.

Our whole social life is in essence but a long, slow striving for the victory of justice over force.—John Galsworthy.

The only solid thing in this vast universe is love.—James Greenan Clarke.

## A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FOR ALL

Grace K. Kicht  
Alert and watchful in the quiet of the star-filled winter night, shepherds kept a tender vigil, waiting for the morning light. Then the heavens blazed with glory:

Angels told of joy and peace  
"Which shall be to all people."  
Here was comfort, sure release,  
Not for just the waiting shepherds,  
Nor for the people of that day.

but for every age and nation.  
Christ is here to show the way.  
May the precious understanding  
Of the Christ touch every heart  
Till it reaches with his blessing  
To the earth's remotest part.

Heals the world of fear and hatred,  
Sheds its radiance everywhere,  
Teaches each to love his brother.  
Tis our humble Christmas  
prayer!

—From the Christian Science  
Sentinel

## ANGLO-CHURCH XMAS PARTY

About 100 people attended the annual Christmas party held at the Anglican Church, Hall, on Thursday. The first part of the programme was devoted to entertainment.

Between the singing of carols by the whole assembly, musical selections were contributed by Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Small, Kathleen Locke, Mrs. G. Berry and Mrs. H. MacFarlane, with Mrs. Matti H. Morden acting as accompanist. Mrs. Morden also recited the Night before Christmas.

Miss D. Crane, President of the W.A., and Rev. A. Parkinson, were in charge of the programme. After the serving of the refreshments which was under the com-  
monship of Mrs. O. Goodman, numbers were drawn and each person received a present from the Christmas Tree. Mrs. Ash was in charge of the tree. Mrs. Grand being registrar of names. The large collection of groceries for the Christmas hamper was in charge of Mrs. Applin.

Women first appeared as professional dancers on the French stage in the 17th century.

## WHITE ROCK & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING

The annual meeting of the White Rock and District Horticultural Society was held in the United Church Hall on Tuesday, December 13. At this meeting the election of officers for 1950 took place, the following being elected to the various offices:  
President: Mr. I. Crosbie.  
Vice-President: Mrs. C. G. Bowden.  
Sec.-Treasurer: Mrs. F. E. Potter.

Executive Committee: Mrs. L. J. Burton, Mrs. A. Collins, Mr. E. A. Griffin, and Mr. J. M. Holmes.  
Mr. E. A. Griffin was appointed Press Correspondent.

Mr. H. Marshall, of the Boundary Road, gave a very interesting address on Parlor Shows, stressing the need of planning ahead in order that the principal varieties be shown in their proper order so that growers could plan their gardens accordingly, viz: April, daffodils; May, tulips; June, roses; July, sweet peas; August, gladioli; Sept, dahlias; and Oct., chrysanthemums.  
Mr. Marshall also in reply to questions, gave a brief talk on table decorations that was most instructive.

A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Marshall for his very able address.

The next meeting of the Society will be held in the United Church Hall on January 10, 1950, at 2 p.m.

England's sea power came into being with the defeat of the Spanish Armada.

Seattle, Washington, is farther north than Nova Scotia.



**We  
hope  
he  
will  
be  
good to  
you**

**- Best  
Wishes  
for a**

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**

**B.C. Electric**

## Kerfoot Road Hospital

White Rock, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Silk take this opportunity of thanking all those who have contributed to the welfare of this hospital and helped to make it possible to continue this service, which we have enjoyed giving in Surrey Municipality. Wishing you one and all the

**Compliments  
of the Season**

**Season's  
Greetings**

From

**Johnny's Snack Bar**

**Tidings of  
Great Joy  
Christmas**



From

**Wrights Furniture Store**



# BRIDGE

By DR. JAN PRIESS  
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Dear Readers,

Christmas is approaching, and so is my first anniversary as your Bridge correspondent. I would have liked to send a nice present to every one of you to celebrate this double event, but alas, for various reasons, this cannot be done. Most of these reasons center around the fact that the salary of a bridge correspondent does not run to such lengths. In fact, the only running it does is through your correspondents' fingers. But as I do not want to let this festive occasion pass without some sort of celebration, I have prepared a playing problem for you, the solution of which will appear in this column three weeks from today, and I invite you to solve the problem and to send me your solution. The sender of the first correct solution to reach me will receive a set of bridge cards, complete with my compliments and the season's greetings. The deadline for solutions to reach me is the 3rd January, 1950.

Below I am giving you the four hands, the final contract and the first lead by West. Plan the play from then on, always assuming the best possible defence by East and West. Though the problem is tough, it is not really a double-dummy problem, this deal has occurred in actual play, and declares make the contract against the best defence, so see whether you can do as well as he did, you have a slight advantage in seeing all four hands, but this advantage is not as great as one might believe. Please address your answer to:

Mr. Jan Friess, P.R.I., White Rock, B.C., and if you have solved this one, or if it should prove too tough for you, why not try the one appearing in this week's "Surrey Leader"?

Now here is the hand:

NORTH		EAST	
♠	A K J 7 2	♠	10 5
♥	Q J 5 4	♥	9 7 5 3 2
D	O J 10	D	6 4
C	K J 6 2	C	8 7 4 3
SOUTH		WEST	
♠	Q 8 4	♠	9 8 7 5
♥	A 10 10	♥	4
D	9 8 7 5	D	9 8 7 5
C	A Q 10	C	A Q 10

The contract is six no-trumps by South, doubled by West. West leads the queen of diamonds.

South to make the contract against the best defence.

Good Luck to you, and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from

JAN PRIESS

## PRIZE-WINNERS IN

### SWIMMING CLUB RAFFLE

1st Prize—Ticket No. 2258: J. N. Niven, 426 Buena Vista Avenue.  
2nd Prize—Ticket No. 567: R. A. Burton, R.R.2, White Rock.  
3rd Prize—Ticket No. 791: H. Watson, Women's Shop Store.  
4th Prize—Ticket No. 2265: Mr. McEwen, New Westminster.

5th Prize—Ticket No. 2159: W. E. Riley, Canadian Immigration Dept.

The convener, Mrs. C. E. Barwick, wishes to thank all those who worked so hard to make the raffle the success it was. Tickets were drawn by Ricky McGrath. Holders of the lucky ones can pick up their prizes at Pat's Hardware Store.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY TO CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH NO. 8, ENTERTAIN AT XMAS PARTY

The Ladies of the Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion Branch No. 8 were hostesses to approximately 60 children on Saturday afternoon, December 17, at a delightful Xmas party. The highlight of the afternoon was a picture show presented by members of Branch No. 8, which was thoroughly enjoyed by young and old.

The Pitman Legion Hall was a festive appearance with its Xmas decorations and the traditional Xmas tree. The children were served cake, candy, ice cream and oranges, the boys ones being presented with Xmas gifts. Among the invited guests were members of the Broulles.

## HELL-DIVERS

By "Dom"

The day after the close of the first part of this year's hunting season I took a walk round Blackie's Spit and picked up a beautiful specimen of Western Grebe which some thoughtless or ignorant hunter had shot. Grebes are diving birds generally referred to as hell-divers. They are hard to shoot on the water as they dive at the flash of a gun, but are a comparative easy target on the wing as they fly in a direct line with the feet stretched out behind. Built on fine lines, legs and feet set well back make them almost helpless on land. The feet are not webbed, in fact, but each toe has hinged flaps which act as paddles, the wings are small in proportion to the body.

The family colony-like Grebes on the protected list under the Migratory Birds Convention Act. At one time their breasts were used extensively for trimming women's hats.

Of the five species of Grebes known in British Columbia, three are commonly seen during the winter months from White Rock pier. The red-necked or Holboell's Grebe is one of the two larger Grebes; in winter plumage the red neck is not clearly visible. The horned Grebe is a small bird but much more than 12 inches in length.

In winter the beautiful horns and ruff are wanting as well as the chestnut colored neck. We see only a black and white bird with reddish eyes which spends its time swimming and diving. The western Grebe, the largest and to my mind the handsomest of the family, is also black and white with reddish eyes, the swanlike neck and long pointed beak are distinguishing marks.

All these birds migrate to inland waters in the breeding season where they build floating nests among the reeds.

While they are with us it is exhilarating to watch them swimming and diving along our shoreline.

# Thanks to Electors of Ward 5 A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

T. KUHN

# Season's Greetings

# From White Rock Cleaners



**UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA, WHITE ROCK**  
Ministry: Rev. Peter Connal, B.A.  
Service: 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Trail Rangers: Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
Monday, 7 p.m., C.O.I.T.  
Choir Practice: Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
Young People's Union: Friday, 7:30 p.m.  
Women's Association: First Thursday of the month.  
Evening Auxiliary: Second Wednesday of the month.  
W.M.S.: Fourth Thursday each month.

**HOLY TRINITY, WHITE ROCK**  
8:30 a.m.: Holy Communion.  
10 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11:15 a.m.: Matins and Sermon.

**S. MATTHEWS, HALL PRAIRIE**  
10 a.m.: Sunday School.  
9:30 a.m.: Holy Communion.  
Church of the Ascension, Crescent.  
11 a.m.: Sunday School.  
3 p.m.: Evensong.

Rector: W. R. Jeffcott

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
The Rev. G. S. Barber, M.A.  
Phone: 2668  
Sunday School: Every Sunday morning, 9:45 a.m.  
(This is a closely graded Sunday School).  
Morning Service: 11 a.m.

**SUNNYSIDE UNITED CHURCH**  
Community Hall, Sunnyside Road  
Rev. FRANK HARDY  
Services at 3 p.m. Winter months

**GRACE CHAPEL**  
Services at present at 1800 Marine Drive  
SUNDAY  
11 a.m.: Breaking of Bread.  
TUESDAY, 4 p.m.  
Prayer and Ministry of the Word

**CRESCENT GOSPEL MISSION**  
Melville Street  
(Opp. Alexandra Fresh Air Camp)  
10 a.m.: Sunday School.  
11 a.m.: Morning Worship.  
7:30 p.m.: Gospel Service.  
Wednesdays, 7:45 p.m.  
Evangelist: PETER DEWAR.

# = Come to Church =



Merry Christmas  
From  
Rosemont Florist



CHRISTMAS  
HAPPINESS  
From  
Avril Dress Shop



NEW HOPE  
Sincere Good Wishes  
FROM  
G. T. RADFORD  
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and Repair Work  
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CHRISTMAS  
GREETINGS  
From  
Hanslows Cycle Shop



A Cheery Christmas Season To All...  
From  
Melody Pet Shop





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## A Cheery Christmas Season To All...

From  
The Old Established Firm  
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In Business in White Rock  
Since 1911



From  
**HALLAM & MONTGOMERY**

Friday, December 30  
**ATHLETIC HALL  
CLOVERDALE, B.C.**



## MERLE TRAVIS



**BIG SHOW 7:30 p.m.**  
Children 50c; Adults 75c  
**BIG DANCE 10 p.m.**  
Men 81; Ladies 75c  
Tickets at Door

### OLD AGE PENSIONERS

#### ANNUAL XMAS DINNER

The White Rock Old Age Pensioners' Organization held their annual dinner in the Palladium, White Rock, on Tuesday, Dec. 14, when some 230 members and friends sat down to a sumptuous repast prepared and served by a host of willing helpers under the direction of Mrs. Wm. McKean.

At the conclusion of the repast the President, Mr. C. R. Bennett, thanked all who had in any way assisted in making the affair a success, after which a short programme was carried out, consisting of a display of dancing by the pupils of the Jack and Jill Dancing School, that was much enjoyed, and an exhibition of her skill by Miss Shannon McLean, cantonist, that brought forth great applause.

Mr. Franklin Johnson then entertained the audience with a humorous recitation, after which, under his direction, a number of the men put on a very amusing skit as a fashion show, which caused much amusement.

A period of dancing followed, the music being supplied by Miss Kathleen Locke on her accordion, while some of the more sedate played cards.

The drawing for the coffee table and serving tray then took place, the following persons being the winners: Miss J. Trine winning the coffee table, and Mrs. S. Malinon the serving tray, the donor of both prizes being Mr. J. Cummins. The money raised by the draw is to be used to help to pay for a public address system in the meeting hall, as many of the members are hard of hearing.

Mr. Guy Graham was presented with a bouquet of flowers and Miss Locke a box of chocolates.

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Material for the stockings themselves was obtained and the stockings were cut out at Provincial Headquarters, and the required number sent to each centre. Committees in each area then took over the job of assembling, packing and delivering.

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### PERSONS EMPLOYED, 1948

Agriculture .....	32,000
Mining .....	16,000
Forestry .....	41,000
Fishing .....	22,000
Manufacturing .....	106,000
Miscellaneous .....	211,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>428,000</b>

### VALUE OF PRODUCTION, 1948

Forestry .....	\$ 363,746,000
Mining .....	132,254,727
Agriculture .....	142,108,000
Fishing .....	58,005,819
Manufacturing .....	975,000,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$1,692,604,527</b>

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### MANUFACTURING INVESTMENTS

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1939 .....	271,000,000
1948 .....	253,000,000

### EXTERNAL TRADE, 1948

Exports .....	\$271,480,000
Imports .....	199,949,221

### INDUSTRIAL PAYROLLS, 1948

Agriculture .....	\$ 30,000,000
Mining .....	25,000,000
Forestry .....	30,000,000
Fishing .....	40,000,000
Manufacturing .....	130,000,000
Miscellaneous .....	275,000,000
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$650,000,000</b>

### MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS, 1948

Retail Sales .....	\$731,520,000
Building Permits .....	16,933,000
Consumption of Electric Power .....	3,436,778,000
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The 1948 Popular Report of the British and Foreign Bible Society, a report always eagerly awaited by the religious world, is to hand. Its title is "In Search of Man," and this year it has been written by John Eric Penn, formerly on the staff of the BBC. It should be read by all interested in world movements.

Some trenchant observations are made and most uncomfortable questions asked about present day Christian trends. "When young Africa is asked to be grateful for the blessings of civilization, it behooves us to remember what we so easily forget: that civilization may mean the bombing aeroplane and news of slums as well as electric light and public libraries." "Can the Christian Gospel reach down under the surface of modern industrial life and set man free?" "Is the Gospel being accepted by outcast peoples and head hunting tribes, not by the industrial workers in Europe and America?"

Mr. Penn gives a brilliant review of the work that is being done in 22 countries by the Bible Society to answer these disturbing questions, and where necessary a resume of the significant political events. Side by side with an outline of social and political ramifications the writer sets forth the changing but unbroken perspective the present world position offers to lovers of the Bible (a) for meeting extensive new literary movements; (b) for counteracting the widespread growth of atheistic philosophy; and (c) for encouraging a more rational, more intelligent and more constant study of the Bible. But Mr. Penn leaves us in no doubt that if the present world position is going to be met there needs to be greater and more consecrated enthusiasm on the part of the Christian people. The United Bible Societies, the organization through which Bible Societies have developed a world strategy, reports that the world circulation of the Scriptures in 1948-49 was: Bibles 1,700,000; Testaments 2,130,000; portions 12,670,000—in all 17,500,000. While this is considerably less than pre-war accomplishments, it is a heart-warming figure.

The report is a mine of Bible Society information for all clergy, ministers and Christian leaders, all of whom we would urge to read it. It can be secured from any Auxiliary for the modest price of 15 cents, post free.

### BEAUTY OF THE BELLS

Many lands will hear the Christmas message rung on bells which owe their usefulness and beauty to a "lost art." Ancient craftsmen knew the secret of true harmonic tuning, but for a long period the formula was lost. Much experiment was made to rediscover the skill of accurate tuning, but not until about 30 years ago was the lost art finally found again in the bell foundries of Britain, giving her supremacy throughout the world in the making of bells. One foundry alone in London has made bells for Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Argentina, the West Indies, Egypt, Tezcala, Holland, Belgium and Malta. Old bells have been sent to Britain from many lands to be returned according to the rediscovered formula, which has since been improved upon. Tuning is still the most important process in bell-ringing.

### CHRISTMAS MORNING SWIM

Notable among Christmaside sports events in Britain is the race for the Peter Pan Swimming Cup. The 8th annual race, presented by the Serpentine Swimming Club, will be held over a 100 yard course, in the Serpentine lake in London's Hyde Park, on Christmas morning—regardless of temperature and weather conditions. The race, which continued as an annual fixture throughout the war without interruption, last year attracted its largest entry for several years—21 members of the Serpentine Club, whose ages ranged from the early twenties to over 70. They competed in a temperature of 39 degrees. Should the lake be frozen over on Christmas morning, the ice will be broken to enable the competitors to cover the course. Near the lake stands the Peter Pan statue, commemorating "the boy who never grew up"—that lovable character created by British famous author and playwright, the late Sir James Barrie.



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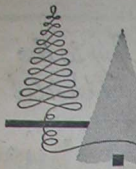


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## In The Garden

As this is the Christmas season, most readers will, I think, be more interested in the usual festivities than reading garden articles, so I will content myself to alluding to some flowering specimens which are usually to be seen just now. Of course there are the berried shrubs which brighten our gardens at Christmas, chief among which, of course, the Holly (Ilex aquifolium), with its prickly, glossy leaves and bright red berries, and which is so extensively used for indoor decoration. Pyracantha, or Fire Thorn, is a very bright shrub on walls, with its bright red berries, and some of the Cotoneasters are still in berry. Also, some of the Berberies are still bright with berries.

But to get back to a few of the flowers to be seen now. First I will mention the Christmas Rose (Helleborus Nigra), with beautiful white flowers, will light up the sombre surface of the nearly flowerless holly. The turquoise blue trumpets of Gentiana Maculosa may still be seen in the rockery. Also in the rockery may be found the winter Aconite (Aconitum hyemale), its little golden yellow flowers, surrounded by their ruff of green leaves, the whole making a plant often less than six inches high. Meconopsis, or Saxifraga Cordifolia, is still showing its pink flowers in sheltered rock gardens, and also a few Auriculas and Blue Primroses. The winter flowering Ericas or Heathers show here and there their pink, yellow, white, and scarlet flowers, and I would not miss mentioning the Taurastium with its clusters of white flowers tinged rose. Another little-known shrub, Chimonanthus fraxinifolius, which has yellow and red, deliciously scented flowers, one bloom placed in a saucer of water will perfume a room. In sheltered portions, on walls, we have the yellow blossoms of the leafless Jasminum nudiflorum.

One might mention a number of other flowers to be seen, but I will end this article with the story of the Glastonbury Thorn.

The Glastonbury Thorn. — This famous Crataegus is a peculiar form of the common Hawthorn, and one that frequently flowers as early as December. Its botanical name is Crataegus Oxycantha Praecox. So early flowering a shrub as this was regarded by the ancients with superstitious awe, and consequently many legends are connected with the plant. William of Malmesbury tells how Joseph of Arimathea visited England, bearing the Holy Grail with him, and founded at Glastonbury (in Somersetshire) the first Christian church of Britain. Arrived at Wearyall Hall, the pilgrim thrust his staff into the ground, where it speedily rooted, and blossomed each succeeding year, on Old Christmas Eve.

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At the conclusion of the repast the President, Mr. C. R. Deniston, thanked all who had in any way assisted in making the affair a success, after which a short programme was carried out, consisting of a display of dancing by the pupils of the Jack and Jill Dancing School, that was much enjoyed, and an exhibition of her skill by Miss Shannon McLean, contortionist, that brought forth great applause.

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## IDLE HOUR BOWLING ALLEY

The old saying of practice makes perfect, seems to fit the bowling game.

Some very high scores were made last week. Gordy Taylor made a high single of 182. Hardy Tarves 268, and high 3 of 472.

Ladies' high made by Audrey Pickney, score of 270, and Mrs. Kiel 255.

Some of our bowlers paid a return visit to Langley Prairie and came home with honors of all games.

The League are not playing from December 22 until 23.

Alleys are available for open bowling and for holiday bowling parties.

Just give us a phone call and we will help arrange for you. Merry Christmas to our bowlers.

## OBITUARY

Many veterans of World War I will with regret hear of the passing of Maj-Gen. V. A. S. Williams, former commissioner of the Ontario provincial police and a veteran of 40 years' service in the Canadian army, died Monday in Sunnyside Hospital.

He commanded the military camp at Valcartier, Quebec, at the outbreak of the First Great War, and was severely wounded while on an inspection tour in the front lines at Sanctuary Wood in 1918.

He is survived by his brothers, S. Williams, of Edmonton, and Leo T. Williams, of White Rock.

## WHITE ROCK PLAYERS' CLUB

Financial Statement of "My Sister Eileen"  
Dec. 19, 1949.

Box 18, White Rock.  
Dec. 19, 1949.

To the Editor, Semiahmoo Sun.

Dear Sir:

At a recent meeting of the White Rock Players' Club, I was authorized to ask you to insert in your paper the financial statement of our latest production "My Sister Eileen". Since so many readers are curious to know just what happens to the door receipts, and just exactly how the proceeds are allocated, they may be interested in the enclosed statement which is complete in every detail.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. V. Haraway,  
Sec.-Treas.  
White Rock Players'

Receipts	
Ticket sales and door receipts	\$402.50
Total receipts	\$402.50
Total expenses	\$315.90
Net proceeds	\$86.60
Distribution:	
V.O.N., 75%	\$66.75
W.R.P.C., 25%	\$22.25
Total	\$89.00
Disbursements.	
Books & sound records	14.74
Royalty	110.00
Rent, Liberal Hall	61.90
Semiahmoo Sun, Printing	24.38
Rent, Legion Pier Room for rehearsals	32.00
B. Davey, hauling	25.00
Hire of chairs	18.00
White Rock Cleaners	4.50
Exchange on Canadian funds	11.69
Materials for makeup	6.03
Telephone calls	1.50
Sundries	5.23
	\$313.90
V. Haraway, Secy-Treas.	

## RECIPE HINTS



Pork Ragout is a savory favorite for cool fall days.

Mix together the ground beef, pork, pepper, and 1 teaspoon salt. Form into 1 1/2-inch balls and roll in browned flour. Brown in a second frying pan, in 2 tablespoons shortening.

Add the browned meat balls to the pork hocks mixture and cook 1/4 hour. Just before serving thicken the broth with 4 tablespoons browned flour mixed with liquid left in pan after frying meat balls. "Ragout" is usually served with boiled potatoes and carrots or cabbage.

## HOME RECIPES

### MINCEMEAT MUFFINS

- 1 cup of all bran
- 1/2 cup of milk
- 1 cup of mincemeat
- 2 tablespoons of shortening
- 1/2 cup of sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup of sifted flour
- 3 teaspoons of baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon of salt

Combine all bran, milk and mincemeat, soak about five minutes. Blend shortening and sugar; add egg and beat well. Stir in all bran mixture. Add sifted dry ingredients; mix only until combined. Fill greased muffin pan two-thirds full. Bake in moderately hot oven (400) about 20 minutes. Makes 12.

### VIENNESE COFFEE RING

- 2 packets of yeast
- 1 1/2 cups of lukewarm water
- 1 cup of milk
- 1/2 cup of sugar
- 1 teaspoon of salt
- 1/2 cup of shortening
- 1 egg
- 2 1/2 cups of sifted flour
- cinnamon

Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water, scald milk, add sugar, salt and shortening; cool to lukewarm; add egg, 1 cup of flour and yeast.

### BEAT THOROUGHLY

Beat thoroughly add more flour to make a stiff batter. Beat 3 minutes. Pour into a greased angel cake pan. Sprinkle generously with sugar, cinnamon and nuts. Let rise one hour or until double in bulk. Bake in moderate oven 40 minutes.

### CANDIED SWEET POTATOES

Scrub thoroughly and parboil for ten minutes eight medium sized sweet potatoes. Drain, pare while hot; cut in halves or slices lengthwise. Stir over low heat until dissolved 2/3 to 1 cup of brown sugar with 1/2 cup of boiling water. Add two tablespoons of butter. Arrange a layer of sliced cooked potatoes in a greased casserole, sprinkle potatoes with salt and pepper. Arrange over the layers a very few thin lemon slices. Cover with a second layer season and add a few more slices of lemon. Repeat to use all potatoes.

Pour the syrup over the potatoes and bake in a moderate oven 350. Bake frequently with the syrup; cook until the potatoes are soft and surface glazed and brown. One cup of corn syrup or maple syrup may replace the brown sugar and water.

## Canadian Fashion

### CRANBERRY SHORTCAKE

Sift and measure two cups of pastry flour, resift with half teaspoon of salt and four teaspoons of baking powder, cut in finely one-third cup of shortening. Mix lightly with about three-quarter cup of milk (enough to make a soft dough). Note: an egg may be beaten and mixed with the milk which should be reduced by about two tablespoons in that case. Turn out dough on slightly floured canvas or board and knead lightly with fingertips for about ten seconds. Divide in two. Put one piece to fit in greased pan, brush with soft butter; place second layer of dough over and bake in hot oven 20 to 30 minutes (425). Split the warm shortcake, spread generously with soft butter and cut together with well drained cranberry sauce to which broken walnut nuts or browned chopped almonds have been added. Top with more of the cranberry sauce and nutmeat mixture and garnish with whipped cream, lightly sweetened and flavored.



### BUSY ST. NICK

Santa Claus had better shup his sleigh runners and give his reindeer another helping of oats; he's got another busy season coming up. At mid-week, Christmas parades with last year's record buying spree. A coast to coast survey by The Financial Post shows: more selective buying; more credit buying; better values; wider variety of goods; some soft spots but overall volume likely to equal last year's record.

NEWSMAKING - Canadian designer's new gold jacket features high Nantucket-style collar with dress of print in stained glass window design.



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### CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS AND SUPERSTITIONS

Strange superstitions, relics of the remote days when Britons people were pagans, still linger in many parts of the country and are remembered at Christmas time. Here are some of them:

#### Devil's Knell

For the last 700 years, for instance, a bell, known locally as the "Devil's Knell," has tolled on Christmas Eve in the village of Dewsbury, Yorkshire. In the north of England, local legends say that the custom was begun by a parish church as a means for killing his servant, and ordered that it should be rung every Christmas Eve to remind him of his crime. By tolling the bell once for every year since the birth of Christ, the final stroke being timed to ring at the hour of midnight, local people believed that the devil would be kept from the parish for the next twelve months.

**Legend of St. Fillan's Stones**  
At Killin, Perthshire, Scotland the villagers pull rushes each Christmas from a nearby stream to make a resting-place for a number of stones taken from the gables of an ancient corn-mill. They are not ordinary stones, for the villagers believe that they were used centuries ago by their patron saint, St. Fillan, to cure aches, sprains and other ailments and injuries.

**Boar's Head Feast**  
Queen's College, Oxford University, has a Boar's Head Feast on Christmas Day, which originated in the story of a student who was attacked by a wild boar some 500 years ago, while studying Aristotle during a walk. The killed his formidable adversary by thrusting the volume down the animal's throat. Today a papier mache head replaces the 50-pound specimen under the weight of which two attendants used to stagger in bygone days, but the spirit of the ceremony remains unchanged. A choir sings the last notes of a traditional carol, the head is placed on the table of the Provost, the Principal of the College. The Provost then presents the ornaments and embellishments one by one to the choir boys and visitors, the solo singer receiving the orange.

**"Charming the Orchards"**  
Old Christmas Day, or Twelfth Night, has its own celebrations. In Devonshire, in the south of England, famous for its apple-orchards, the custom of "Charming the Orchards" was handed down until almost within living memory. Local farmers and their men went to their orchards "to park on Twelfth Night, carrying guns and a 'great jar of elder, with a large slice of toast or cake floating in it. No gun was considered to be too old, if it was able to hold the offering, and the more noise it made the better. When the party had reached one of the largest apple trees, the farmer addressed it while the guns were discharged. The elder was then handed round, and the sop of cake eaten, and then care was taken to see that a road-side place was left in a fork of the tree for the robin, for if this was left undone the charm would have no effect. Finally the men returned to the farmhouse to drink more elder and to tell tales round the fire until morning. Little many old superstitions, this custom was founded on a practical belief

the shot was supposed to tear the bark of the tree and to awaken the fruiting in a similar manner to the action of beating a walnut tree.

#### "Holy Night"

In Westmorland, in the north of England, Old Christmas Night is known as "Holy Night" or "Holling," from an annual procession which took place in the town of Brough, Here, on an oak leafy tree, lighted at the tops of the branches to which combustible material had been tied, was carried in procession through the streets. About eight o'clock in the evening the torches were lit and accompanied by the town band, the tree was carried in stately procession around the town. Rockets and squibs were discharged and many of the people also carried torches and lighted branches.

#### Carolling Children

The "milly-bob," lined with sugar and oranges and containing two small figures, which is still occasionally carried by Yorkshire children when they go carolling from house to house on Christmas Eve, is a relic of the ancient custom, common in the northern counties of England until the close of the last century, of carrying figures of Our Lady and the Holy Child in procession with the carol singers. The word "milly-bob" is a corruption of "My Lady." In Cleveland, Yorkshire, the same box is called "bessie-bob" and the children who carry it say that they are going "a-wassailing"—an invitation to give them a blessing and a love.

#### The Christmas Cracker

As in Canada, no Christmas party in Britain is complete without a box of "crackers." Christmas crackers were first made in Britain about 70 years ago. It was a confectioner and maker of ornaments for wedding cakes with the typical English name of Tom Smith who brought back from a holiday on the Continent the idea of the cracker. He saw that a French confectioner made his sweetmeats more attractive by wrapping them in tissue paper. A few weeks before Christmas he set his assistants wrapping sugared almonds in this way. The cracker came a little nearer when he thought of making the package more entertaining by placing a loving message inside.

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December 12, 1949

Mr. H. Woodfield, Secretary,  
White Rock Board of Trade,  
Box 1153,  
White Rock, B.C.  
Dear Mr. Woodfield,

I have for acknowledgment your letter dated Dec. 10, in which you bring to our attention that you have received several requests from residents of White Rock for information as to why Pacific Stage Lines buses do not now stop at the Laura-Mel Hotel.

Among other reasons for building the new bus terminal in White Rock, was to eliminate the particularly bad situation with respect to traffic congestion caused through loading and unloading buses at the Laura-Mel Hotel, particularly during the summer season.

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J. F. Inthar,  
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#### RECORD COAL EXPORTS

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**SEMAHMOO HIGH SCHOOL NOTES**

Jacque Zack

It was a sadder Semiahmoo Girls basketball team that headed back to White Rock last Thursday after dropping a close, but decisive, 24-22 decision to Queen Elizabeth's Jr. Girls at Q.E. High School.

Thursday night's game was just as close from the beginning to end as the final score indicates, with Semiahmoo ahead on only three occasions, but never by more than three points.

Semiahmoo started with its second string and near the end of the first quarter changed to the first. Even then the score did not vary in closeness. Semiahmoo was ahead in the last of the first half, but dropped as far as five points behind in the last. When Joyce King was given a free shot in the third quarter and failed to sink it, Darreen Phillips was in there like a fish, caught the rebound and sunk a shot tying up the game 15-15.

Barb Miller made several exciting interceptions, and Joyce King streaked up and down the floor with the ball, keeping the Q.E. team on the constant lookout and putting much more life into the game.

As the end of the game was growing drastically near and Semiahmoo was trailing four points, Sheila Watson was awarded two free shots and sunk them both. As Semiahmoo was bringing the ball down the floor the game ended 24-22 for Queen Elizabeth.

The Boys' game was practically useless for Semiahmoo from the beginning, but even so they put up a fight for it. The Q.E. team has much more height and real speed. Semiahmoo didn't seem to be able to prevent them from making their 40 points to Semiahmoo's 16.

Queen Elizabeth is to be complimented on its two fine teams. Semiahmoo and Queen Elizabeth Girls battled it out in the finals last season with Semiahmoo leading the total score of two games by only one point.

Both teams cheer leaders added to the excitement with rousing yells at quarter and halftimes. At the beginning of the first game the Q.E. cheer leaders gave a yell welcoming Semiahmoo. The cheer leaders from both schools did a yell together at half times—Anne Denten and Georges Villon from Q.E. and Rickie McDonald and Lynn Woolford from Semiahmoo.

Thursday and Friday noon-hours, Semiahmoo students dressed and took part in an Indoor Track Meet—the second one of the 1949-1950 term. Points for the House, up to date, are as follows: Reg 127, White 141, and Blue 120. Alec Bucholtz, Captain of the White House, was awarded by Mr. Wilson the pennant, which they will hold until Easter.

Tuesday of this week the classes had their annual Christmas parties with specially arranged programmes and, naturally, food. The gym was decorated Monday evening for the big Christmas Mixer.

Under the leadership of Mr. Primrose, the Music classes sang various Christmas Carols. Last on the programme was the Music A Class with "Danny Boy" and "Just a Memory" followed by "Now the day is over."

Semiahmoo wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy holiday.



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